

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2207

Introduced by Assembly Member Fong

February 18, 2010

An act to add Section 779.3 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to public utilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2207, as introduced, Fong. Utilities: termination of services.

Existing law prohibits an electrical, gas, heat, or water corporation from terminating residential service for nonpayment of a delinquent account unless the corporation first gives prescribed notice of the delinquency and impending termination. Existing law also prohibits termination in specified situations.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to create a statewide standard for the termination of household utility service, including electricity and gas, in order to protect vulnerable populations, as well as to prevent death and serious injury resulting from utility service termination.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 779.3 is added to the Public Utilities
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 779.3. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to
- 4 create a statewide standard for the termination of residential utility
- 5 service, including electricity and gas, in order to protect vulnerable

- 1 populations such as the elderly, children, and the disabled, as well
- 2 as to prevent death and serious injury resulting from utility service
- 3 termination.

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